Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) A process for producing an optically active substance of compound of formula (1)

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characterized by comprising:

dissolving a racemate of the compound of formula (1) in a solvent to prepare a supersaturated solution; and

adding crystal of either one optically active substance of the compound of formula (1) as a seed crystal in the supersaturated solution to allow crystal of the one optically active substance added as the seed crystal to separate out.

- 2. (Original) The process for producing an optically active substance according to claim 1, wherein the solvent is alcohols or esters.
 - 3-5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The process for producing an optically active substance according to claim 1, wherein the solvent is selected from the group consisting of methanol and ethyl acetate; and wherein the optical purity of the optically active substance produced by the process is 80%ce or more acetate.